

Mountfield Heath School Report

April 2025-April 2026

Summer Term- April to July 2025:

Building of an individual classroom at the front of the school was completed, this is a lovely classroom surrounded with trees, plants and flowers. This allowed the school pupil admission number to be increased to 46 pupils.

A highlight of our year is the arrival of the hatching eggs. This time we hatched Chicks and had 6 chicks with one being a very fluffy brown.

3 new pupils joined the school, this was the start of welcoming much younger pupils to the school with some only just about to turn 5 years old.

Playground and playtime resources enhanced with 2 bucket swings installed aiding pupils' sensory regulation and feedback.

A Staff member with the support of parents, carers and guardians entered Mountfield Heath School Leadership Team into the Pearson National Teaching Awards and we won a certificate of excellence for The Award for SEND and Inclusive Practice.

2 members of the clinical team conducted an Inquiry project into the impact of the environment upon sensory regulation and learning. Due to the success and findings of the project it will be published in a journal.

Community link with local education setting- Farmyard Nursery for shared good practice.

A commercial kitchen was fitted in the existing kitchen area meaning we could begin to recruit to catering staff to be able to offer pupils hot school dinners later in the next academic year.

Summer term trips: Fisherwood Farm, Hailsham bowling, Bedgebury, Hastings Aquarium, Vinehall swimming pool, Robertsbridge Park, Herstmonceux Science Centre, Supermarkets, Battle Great Woods, Footlands Woods, Hastings Adventure Golf, Knockhatch Adventure Park, Alexandra Park, Hurst Green Park

Autumn term- September to December 2025

We welcomed 9 new pupils to the school.

We welcomed 3 new staff members and held additional recruitment during the term for job opportunities within the local area.

The new classroom was populated with a class.

We celebrated Anti-bullying week, Remembrance Day, Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day.

We enjoyed Dance sessions as part of Friday enrichment provided by local business Funk Fusion.

We increased our part in recycling through celebrating recycling week and introducing food waste recycling throughout the school.

Eco-council contributed towards our application and success in being awarded Level 2 Green Mark school status.

Autumn term trips: Fisherwood Farm, St Wilfred's hospice, Bodiam Castle, cinema, bowling alley, Blackbrooks Garden Centre, Footlands Woods, Hurst Green Park

Spring term- January to April 2026

We welcomed 2 new pupils to the school.

We welcomed 4 new staff members and held further recruitment for job opportunities within the local area.

The school was awarded a IFIP Global Inclusion Award for a Belonging and Inclusive Community.

We enjoyed the first signs of spring and held an Easter event in which parents, carers and guardians joined their child on an Easter egg hunt.

We celebrated World Book Day and British Science week.

We celebrated Neurodiversity week and explored our differing Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and how these diagnosis also have positive qualities that we are proud of.

Linked to our termly topic of insects and minibeasts we welcomed Jaws 'n' Claws onsite to experience holding and learning about snakes, toads, skinks alongside other creatures.

This year we received 5 Duck eggs and hatched 4 ducklings- they have now gone back to the farm.

To continue our dedication for sustainability, nature and to encourage local wildlife and ecosystems within our school grounds and for the local area a willow dome was planted in the Forest School area.

A cake and craft sale took place and we raised £100 for WRAS- East Sussex Wildlife Rescue and Ambulance Service who are our chosen charity this year.

A soft playroom was installed with several additional enhancements to sensory provision in the school, this will further support our pupils in their sensory and physical needs as well as having great fun!

Spring term trips: Bedgebury, Footlands Woods, Cinema, Bowling, Glow Baby Sensory Barn, Robertsbridge Play Park, Alexandra Park, Hastings Seafront.